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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Randall A. Boudouris, et al.

Application No.:

09/990109

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For:

Magnetic Substrates, Composition and Method for

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Group Art Unit:

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Docket No.: M112.2P-10064-US01

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

1. In regard to the above-identified application, in addition to this 2 page transmittal letter, we are submitting the attached: 4 Page Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement; 1 Page List of References; 15 Cited References; 6 Page European Search Report; 2 Page VAS Remarks Accompanying IDS and Return Postcard.

2. With respect to fees:

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- □ Attached is check(s) in the amount of \$
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3. CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

This conditional petition is being filed along with the papers identified in Item 1 above and provides for the possibility that Applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time or for a petition and fee for any other matter petitionable to the Commissioner as required. If any extension of time for the accompanying response is required or if a petition for any other matter is required, by petitioner, Applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefore.

4. Notwithstanding paragraph 2 above, if any additional fees associated with this communication are required and have not otherwise been paid, including any fee associated with the Conditional Petition for Extension of Time, or any request in the accompanying papers for action which requires a fee as a petition to the Commissioner, please charge the additional fees to Deposit Account No. 22-0350. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment associated with this communication to the Deposit Account No. 22-0350.

Respectfully submitted,

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Remarks Accompanying IDS

The references submitted herewith, have been provided as a result of a European Search Report. The following statements are being provided with respect to these references.

As understood by the abstract, JP 01131262 is directed to plastic magnet compositions for small-sized generators, not for printable substrates.

As understood by the abstract, JP 01131261 is directed to plastic magnet compositions for small-sized generators, not for printable substrates.

As understood by the abstract, JP 01131260 is directed to plastic magnet compositions for small-sized generators, not for printable substrates.

As understood by the abstract, JP 01131259 is directed to plastic magnet compositions for small-sized generators, not for printable substrates.

As understood by the abstract, JP63069204 is directed to extruded product which is hot-rolled to give a magnet sheet.

As understood by the abstract, JP01014901 is to *molded* magnetic products such as for motor magnets.

As understood by the abstract, JP59170130 is directed to forming a plastic or rubber magnet, not to a process of applying a magnetic composition to a printable substrate.

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US 5994990 and DE 19739174, are directed to extrusion molded magnets.

EP 0 315 063 A2 is directed to a magnetic paint which is coated out of solvent to form a magnetic layer.

As understood by the abstract, DE4441545 is directed to a magnetic composition for magnetic recording materials, and is dissolved or dispersed in solvent, and is not directed to application of hot melt magnetic compositions to printable substrates.

As understood by the abstract, SU0981325A1 is directed to a non-flammable magnetic *moulding* composition.

As understood by the abstract, SU1030386A1 is directed to a magnetic selfextinguishing polymer composition, in particular for TV centering magnets, not to printable substrates.

SU1219611A1 is seen as being irrelevant as it is directed to a magnetic composition for television set leads.

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Listed below or on an attached form listing the cited references and/or a copy of a PTO-892 form is information known to applicant(s). A copy of each listed publication, U.S. patent, foreign patent and U.S. patent application is being submitted herewith, along with a concise explanation of information in a foreign language, if any, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97-1.98, except that U.S. applications from which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120, and documents cited in such priority applications, may be omitted from the enclosures pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.98(d). Applicant's submission of copies of U.S. applications does not constitute a waiver of the confidentiality of such applications. As such, Applicant requests that any copies of unpublished US applications submitted herewith be excluded from the file wrapper pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.14.

Applicants respectfully request that the listed information be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the above-identified application. If the form listing the cited references or PTO-892 from a prior application is enclosed, the Examiner is requested to initial and return it in accordance with MPEP §609.

This statement is not intended to represent that a search has been made or that the information cited in the statement is prior art, or is or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in §1.56.

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Applications that are listed on the accompanying form listing the cited references as related by priority are related by priority claim under 35 USC §120. Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.98(d), no copies of cited art in a previous application(s) to which priority was claimed need be submitted. Applicant is providing copies of the form listing the cited references and/or 892 forms from these cases.

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